

MINUTES
Environmental Health Scientist Licensing Board
August 24, 2005
Room 4A
160 E 300 S Heber Wells Bldg
Salt Lake City Utah

Convened: 9:05 a.m.

Adjourned: 10:15 p.m.

Division Staff Present:

Bureau Manager
Board Secretary

Clyde K. Ormond
Lee Avery

Members Present:

Ralph Clegg
Jeffrey R. Coombs
Joel Hoyt
Richard Engar, DDS

Members Absent:

Dwight Hill

Guests Present:

Mark Williams

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

Minutes

DECISIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

The minutes for August 19, 2003 were reviewed.
Dr. Richard Engar motioned to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Mr. Clegg.
The motion carried unanimously.

Swear in new Board Members

Dr. Richard Engar and Mr. Jeffery Coombs were sworn in as new Board members.

Elect a new Chairperson

Mr. Clegg nominated Mr. Hoyt for Chairperson, seconded by Dr. Engar. The motion carried unanimously.

Appointments:

W. Quincy Boyce

Mr. Ormond briefly reviewed with the Board the denial of Mr. Boyce's application.
Mr. Boyce presented himself to the Board.
Mr. Ormond reviewed the appeal process regarding the denial of Mr. Boyce's application. Mr. Boyce reviewed his education with the Board and asked for its guidance.

The Board reviewed Mr. Boyce's application and transcripts in detail. Mr. Ormond noted Mr. Boyce has passed the Registered Environmental Health Scientist exam (REHS) exam.

Mr. Clegg recommended Mr. Boyce's application be reconsidered for licensure, seconded by Dr. Engar. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion:

Change in Testing Vendor – Clyde K. Ormond

The Board discussed in detail the national exam that was given by Experior (Thomson/Prometric) is now being changed to be given the by National Association. The Board talked about the move to standardizing the Environmental Health Scientist profession. Mr. Mark Williams representative of the Utah Association advised the Board that at the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) conference this year the administration of the exam was scheduled to change June 2006. He has now received a letter stating this date has been changed to August 2005. Mr. Williams stated the exam will be given once every three (3) months for the entire United States and only once a year in Salt Lake City. The Board questioned if the exam could be taken on line. Mr. Williams stated not at this time. Mr. Williams stated the next exam is October 15, 2005 in Reno Nevada. The Board expressed its concern regarding the change of how often the exam will be given. The Board would like the exam to be offered more often here in Salt Lake City. Mr. Williams said he would check into this possibility and get back to the Board.

The Board briefly reviewed the statute regarding issuing a temporary license and the possibility of issuing a temporary license until the national exam can be taken.

Dr. Engar motioned to have Mr. Waters provide the Board with an outline regarding the problems with Thomson/Prometric and the pros and cons with the National Association administering the exam and then have Thomson/Prometric provide information from their end for the Boards review, seconded by Mr. Clegg. The motion carried unanimously.

**Continuing Education Audit – update,
Mr. Clyde K. Ormond**

Mr. Ormond advised the Board during this past renewal the Division conducted a Continuing Education Audit of ten percent (10%) of all current licensees. The concern the Division has with the documentation submitted is of those who had certificates, the certificates did not contain total hours earned. Mr. Ormond encouraged the Association and Board Members to encourage better record keeping in this area. Certificates should include, the name of the course, number of hours earned, date of course and course sponsor.

Next Board Meeting:

The next Board meeting is to be scheduled.

Date Approved

Chairperson, Environmental Health Scientist Licensing Board

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Bureau Manager, Div. of Occupational & Professional Licensing